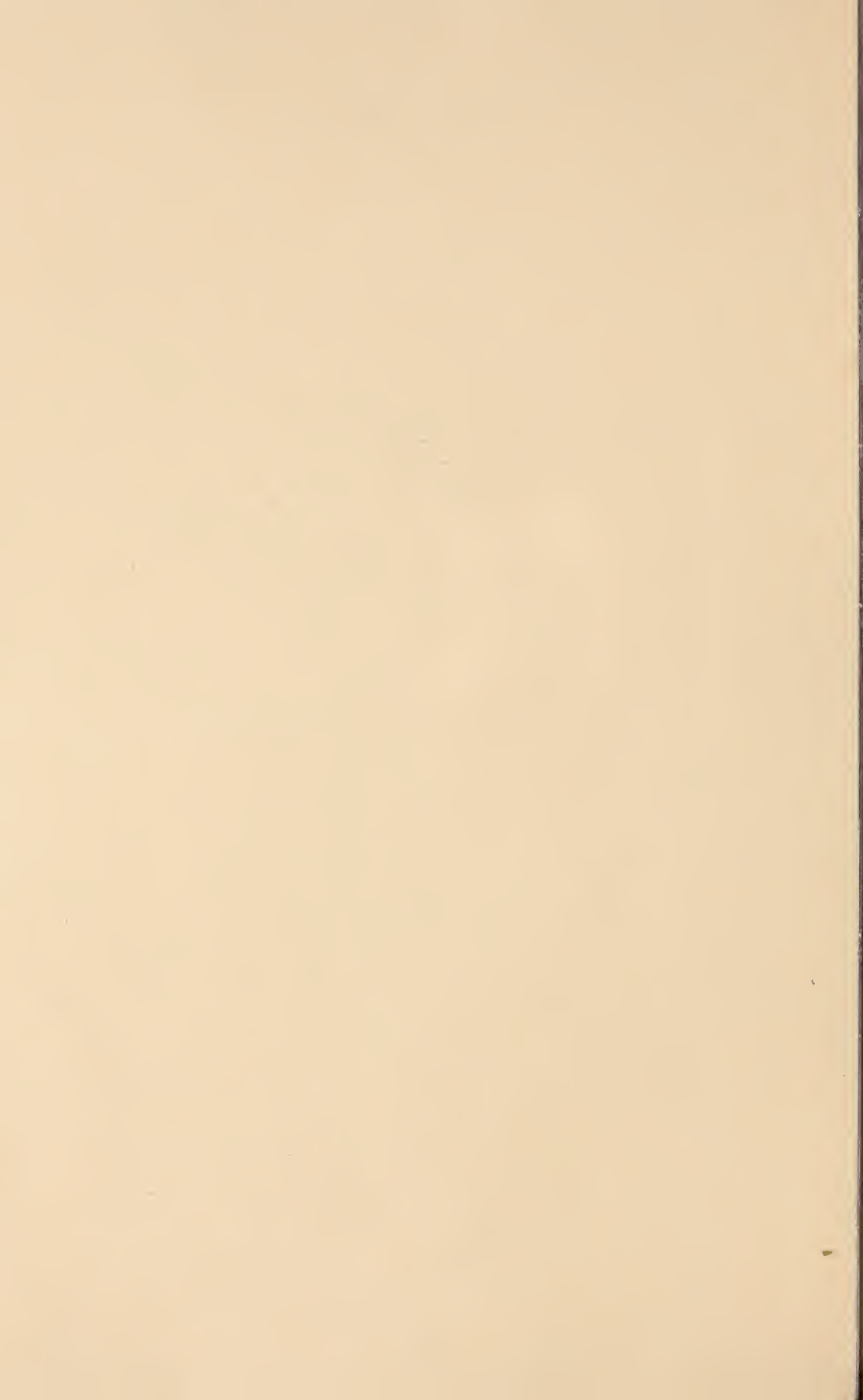


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## THE AWAKENING.

They are not dead, O no, just sleeping;  
Just tucked in bed for safe keeping.  
When forest trees their leaves were shedding,  
Making warm their winter bedding,  
They heeded not.  
When old King Frost, that silent reaper,  
Laid low to earth each tiny sleeper,  
They just forgot.

When spring once more with smiles and showers,  
Calls into light these sleeping flowers,  
And song of bird and bloom together,  
Make glad the days of springtime weather,  
For you and me,  
A symbol of this life of ours,  
The resurrection of the flowers,  
Would seem to be.

*S. Minerva Boyce, Wash. Co., Vt.*



FRENCH DWARF CANNAS.



CARNATION, THE VANGUARD.



CENTAUREA, IMPERIALIS.

## CHOICE FLOWERS FROM SEEDS.

IT IS NOT generally known that the healthiest plants, and often the most beautiful flowers are grown from seeds. A supply of choice double or single Dahlias can thus be obtained at a nominal cost, and if started early the plants will make a grand display, blooming as early as those grown from roots, while the flowers will often be of handsome form and very rich or novel shades of color. The finest Autumn-flowering Chrysanthemums are produced from carefully saved seeds. In this way the Chrysanthemum has been wonderfully improved. Those who have grown plants from seeds are pleased with the result, and continue the work year after year. The three kinds of flowers shown in the engraving are easily grown from seeds, and the



plants quickly become of blooming size. The French Dwarf Cannas make a grand bed of bloom, and if given a sunny place, and kept liberally watered they will bloom from June till frost, the bed becoming more attractive every week.

The New Vanguard Carnation is a hybrid of the Margaret class, considered even more beautiful than that popular race, though the seedlings do not bloom till a week or two later. The plants are readily grown from seeds, and when bedded in a sunny place they are beautiful and richly perfume the garden.

*Centaurea Imperialis* is a hybrid of *C. odorata* and *C. Moschata*. The plants grow four feet high, branch freely, and become a showy clump, the flowers being large, of various shades—rose, white and blue, and continuing in bloom throughout the season. The seeds start quickly, and the plants are easily transplanted.

*Cyclamen*, *Asparagus*, *Lobelia*, *Myosotis*, *Cinerarias* and *Calceolarias* are almost exclusively propagated from seeds, and the finest plants of *Lantana*, *Heliotrope*, *Torenia*, and *Streptocarpus* are started in the same way.

The time is now at hand for obtaining seeds of these choice flowers, as well as the showy and beautiful annuals, and those who have been in the habit of buying their plants should try raising them from seeds. The effort is generally well repaid in watching the tiny plants develop into full-grown, blooming specimens, responding in special beauty to the skill and care given them during growth. The cost of the seeds is trifling, while the pleasure and satisfaction afforded in their culture can hardly be estimated.

**White Flies.**—These are often troublesome upon *Fuchsias*, *Nasturtiums*, and *Salvias*. *Pyrethrum* powder is an effectual remedy, but to properly administer it the plants should be placed in a frame covered with muslin, with one side arranged to open and close. Keep this side open until the plants are infested, then suddenly close and dust thoroughly inside with the powder. If the application is repeated a few times the pest will soon cease to be troublesome.

**Scale.**—When an *Asparagus* is troubled with scale rub the stems to loosen the pest, then wash with hot suds. If badly infested cut off the tops and burn them, and see that the stems remaining are free from the pest. If the tops are infested it is almost impossible to clean them.

**Pansies in Florida.**—The best time to sow seeds of Pansies in Florida is in the early autumn. The plants will then begin to bloom as winter approaches, and make a fine display until the warm weather of spring arrives. The same may be said of *Phlox Drummondii*, *Portulaca*, *Gilia*, and many other annuals.

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## EDITORIAL

**Hibiscus Sinensis.**—This is a valuable everblooming shrub of easy culture. It is not hardy to the north, and must be grown as a pot plant to bloom during the winter. It does well bedded out in summer and kept well watered. In the fall lift it before frost, cut back the tops and pot in a vessel of suitable size, giving good drainage. Any rich, porous potting compost will suit it. Pot very firmly, and keep out of sun and drafts of air for a few days. Keep in a dry, frost-proof room, watering sparingly till it is time to bed out again. Plants grown in pots may be kept in the plant window, and will bloom during winter if given a sunny place.

**Destroying Ants.**—The small red ants that often prove a nuisance in the flower garden and on the lawn in many localities can be readily destroyed by placing fresh meat bones where they will collect, then dipping the bones in scalding water, when covered with the insects. Attention of this kind for a few days will effectually eradicate the nuisance.

**Pennisetum Rueppelianum.**—This is an annual grass, bearing beautiful, plummy heads. Like Wheat and Rye, it may be sown in the autumn where the climate is not too severe, and will perfect its heads the following season. It can, however, be sown early in spring, but is likely to be more or less injured by the heat and drought of summer.

**PORTULACAS FOR BEDS.**

**F**OR a sunny bed of sandy soil the varieties of single and double Portulaca are hardly excelled for a showy exhibition in the bright forenoons of summer. The little, silvery seeds start readily when sown early, and the pretty, succulent, moss-like foliage makes an admirable background for the rich-colored flowers. When sown in the spring the plants bloom in summer; when sown in summer the plants make a grand show during the cool months of autumn. The following note is from one who had a bed of this charming flower last year:

Dear Mr. Park:—Last spring I conceived the notion of planting a couple of three-cent packages of mixed Portulaca in a bed of sandy soil that was centered around a hardy flowering shrub that stands on the south side of the house. On the hot summer mornings it was a thing of beauty—a carpet of cool, glistening green, dotted all over with a charming mixture of single and double bloom, in all shades of red, pink, yellow and bronze, and many flowers striped and variegated. J. Edwin Fletcher.  
Hampden Co., Mass., Dec. 12, 1906.

The little plants should stand from four to six inches apart. They begin to bloom when quite small, branching and blooming as they get older, until the whole bed is a mat of lovely foliage and flowers. Being of easy culture a bed of them might well be found at every house where flowers are grown. They also do well in vases or window boxes; they will endure much neglect, and grow and bloom even under unfavorable conditions.

**Lavender.**—This old-fashioned plant is grown from either seeds or cuttings. The seeds usually start in about two weeks, though sometimes earlier, sometimes later. Keep the soil moist, but not too warm, after sowing. If the first and second sowings fail, try a third. Seeds that have become old will not germinate promptly or freely. When sown in a protected bed out-doors the seeds sometimes start more satisfactorily than when sown in the house.

**Sea Onion.**—A subscriber from Maryland writes enthusiastically about the Sea Onion (*Ornithogalum caudatum*). She has one in a four-inch pot that is just coming into bloom, and is greatly admired. It is a fine specimen, and requires but little care. She attributes her special success to keeping the pot near a rain-barrel, where the soil was kept constantly moist.

**Tuberous Begonias and Gloxinias.**—The young tubers of these are preferable to the older ones. A tuber from three-fourths to an inch across will, if well cared for, make a more vigorous, beautiful and lasting plant than a larger tuber. An old tuber, like an old horse, lacks vitality, and will soon have to be thrown into the rubbish heap. Those who buy Tuberous Begonias and Gloxinias should make a note of this hint. As a rule, it is better to buy larger tubers of Gloxinias than Begonias, as they dry out more readily.

**PRUNING EVERGREENS.**

**A**S A rule evergreen trees need no pruning, except to cut away dead limbs. The beauty of a pine is in its pleasing natural shape, clothed with limbs from the ground up. To cut away the lower limbs is to destroy the natural beauty. In planting such trees care should be taken that they are set where the view will not be obstructed by their growth. The tops of evergreens are sometimes cut back to encourage a dense growth, and with some species the results of such pruning are very satisfactory; but to trim away the lower limbs, unless dead and leafless, is not considered good taste, and the effect is anything but pleasing to the æsthetic eye.

**A Fine Old Annual.**—The Scabiosa or Mourning Bride, found in old gardens, has been greatly improved, and is now among the most beautiful of garden annuals. The flowers are double, very large, and exhibit a wide range of colors. The following note is a sample of many received from persons who have grown the improved Scabiosa:

Mr. Editor:—An annual that I was much pleased with last year was Scabiosa. The flowers were beautiful, and were in such a variety of colors. I want to have a large bed of it this year.

May Norcross.

Glocester Co., N. J., Jan. 29, 1907.

This may be of interest to persons making out their seed orders. The seeds can be sown early, and the plants bloom throughout the autumn.

**The Butterfly Bean.**—This is a variety of Scarlet Runner, and a promising novelty. The flowers are pink and white, come in clusters, and are very showy. The vine is a rapid grower, and will quickly cover a trellis or wall, climbing upon strings to the height of twenty feet. The big beans which succeed the flowers, are excellent for table use, either green or dry. The flowers are more freely produced, however, if the seed pods are not allowed to develop. A rich, tenacious soil suits it, and it thrives in a place fully exposed to the sun.

**Keeping Bulbs.**—Bulbs of Allium, Anomatheca, California Hyacinth, Oxalis, Sparaxis, Tiger Lily and Tritoleia should be put in soil as soon as received. If the ground is frozen put in shallow trays of soil and keep moist and in a cool but frost-proof place till spring, then bed them out. Nearly all bulbs and tubers are injured more or less by exposure to air.

**Rose for Western Exposure.**—The hardy Prairie Rose, Baltimore Belle, is suitable for training upon the west side of the house. It is a vigorous climber, and a free summer bloomer. Prune it vigorously after the flowers fade, leaving only the strong lower shoots, and a glorious display of bloom can be depended upon the following season.



## EDITORIAL LETTER.



EAR FLORAL FRIENDS:—

For winter flowers in the window the ordinary window-gardener requires plants that will bloom without special conditions or special care, and the best of these can be numbered upon your fingers. If you will go with me to the greenhouse I will point out to you these few flowers, or, you could point them out yourself if you should bring the various plants under review.

As we enter I want you to note the handsome big blooming sprays of *Bougainvillea Sanderi*. The vine is bedded in the soil by the wall, and has been growing in its present place for several years. It makes a vigorous growth of long, slender stems, covered with rich, evergreen foliage, and during the winter these stems have developed side shoots which terminate in a glorious panicle of flowers. This is a rare vine in the window, but when grown in a pot for two years, shifted till in a seven-inch pot, and kept cut back, it becomes a fine blooming specimen during the dull months of winter and early spring. Indeed a plant grown in the conservatory or greenhouse is rarely without flowers, and in the spring months it is especially attractive. It really should be better known and more popular. Its grand display of showy bracted flowers can hardly be surpassed.



Spray of *Bougainvillea*.



*Begonia*,  
*Bertha Chaterocher*.

But look at this group of potted fibrous-rooted *Begonias* upon the bench near by. Every plant shows its lovely rich crimson clusters, and the shining, bronzy foliage forms an attractive background for the bloom. Those plants are of the variety known as *Bertha Chaterocher*. The plant is of free growth, the branches gracefully arching, and in winter it is loaded with its elegant drooping flower clusters. This is one of the easily-grown *Begonias* that never fail to make a fine winter display, and give entire satisfaction.

What an attractive and beautiful flower-show appears upon the bench a little further on. The flowers almost hide the foliage, are of waxy texture, and glow with richness of color. Those plants are of *Impatiens sultana* and *I. Holsti* in variety.



*Impatiens Holsti*.

There is not an easier grown winter-blooming plant known than these *Impatiens*, and none that make a finer display. They bloom continuously during winter, and will bear as much neglect as almost any plant of like habit.



*Crassula Cordata*.

They are also choice bedding plants for a partially shaded place in summer. They are easily started from seeds. But I want you to notice that mass of delicate pink clusters of *Crassula cordata*, upon the other bench. The little star-shaped flowers appear in elegant panicles, and even the long, fleshy, coral-like stems are attractive, and hold the flowers well above the thick, succulent foliage. Few persons who try this plant report discouragingly of it, while many are its enthusiastic admirers and friends. It is absolutely certain to bloom freely during the winter months, if it has even a modicum of care.

Here, near by, are some little plants of the Weeping *Lantana*. I have never regarded it as a first-class plant for the window in winter, but you will notice that every branch of this group of plants bears a terminal cluster of pretty purplish flowers. From this I can readily understand why some write so favorably of this easily-grown *Lantana* for window culture.



*Impatiens Plant*.

The tall group of plants on the upper bench is of *Goldfussia*, sometimes known as *Strobilanthes anisophyllus*. The flowers are not unlike those of some species of *Pentstemon*, being bell-shaped and of a pleasing lavender color. It has graceful, dark, bronzy foliage, and being of dense, regular growth it makes a pretty plant for the window, while it is reliable as a blooming plant. The fading flowers must be picked from this plant to have it appear well.

How beautiful that big plant of *Cuphea platycentra* is! It is growing on the bench, and has been laden with its little scarlet, black-tipped flowers throughout the winter. It really has but little attention, yet everybody admires and praises its beauty. This *Cuphea* is just as



*Goldfussia*.



*Cuphea platycentra*.



valuable for summer-blooming, and will grow in either sun or shade, though it blooms more freely in a sunny place.

Other flowers for winter-blooming that are perhaps as valuable, are *Eupatorium riparium*, *Double Nasturtium*, *Salvia Alfred Ragineau*, *Eranthemum pulchellum*, *Lopesia rosea*, *Vinca rosea* and the indispensable varieties of *Primula sinensis*, *P. obconica* and *P. floribunda*.

I have named these plants, my friends, that you may keep them in mind for next winter, and procure them early in summer.

If you do this and shift into larger pots

as the plants grow you will have fine and reliable plants for your window display the coming winter. *Impatiens*, *Cuphea*, *Salvia*, *Vinca* and *Primroses* may be grown in quantity from seeds, but the others slips or purchased as small plants, the whole out-lay for both seeds and plants not exceeding \$1.00.

Florally yours,

The Editor.

La Park, Pa., Feb. 15, 1907.

## CHILDREN'S LETTER.



OME with me, dear children, this lovely February morning, and we will take a walk in the meadow by the edge of the river. Put on your overshoes and warm caps, for, though the sun is bright and warm, the ground is damp and cold and the air moist and chilly. "Is this a spring morning, and are there any flowers blooming yet?" I hear little Tommy ask.

Well, Tommy, it's so near spring that we might call it a spring morning. March is the first month of spring, and we usually think of March 1st as the first day of spring. Sometimes, however, that day is cold, and the bitter, snow-laden winds whistle to us from the house-corners: "Better stay in, or Jack Frost will bite you!" But this February morning, bright and clear, is near to and like a spring morning. When we passed the bed of Snow-



Snow-drops and Early Crocuses.

drops and Early Crocuses did you not see the little heads peeping up, as if to say to you:

"Good morning! Is it spring time—time to wake up?" But look there, Tommy, at your feet! What is that?

"Oh, see! It's a big red-and-yellow-spotted flower. Be careful, Tommy, or you'll tramp it!" cries little Ella.

"Yes; there are three of them, and they are all in a bunch!" exclaims little Willie. "What are they?"

Well, what do you think, Willie? Look closer and smell. Aren't they pretty?

"Yes; they are pretty," says Willie. "But, oh! how they smell! I like to look at them better than to smell them. They look something like mamma's *Calla Lily* flowers, but are red and yellow instead of white. But where are the leaves?"

Now, let me tell you. That is a plant of



Skunk Cabbage.

*Skunk Cabbage*, the easiest name you can give it, for the botanist calls it *Symplocarpus foetidus*—pronounced Sim-plo-kar'-pus fo'-tid-us. The plant is found in wet or swampy places, and is the earliest blooming of our native plants, usually showing its rich colors in January

or February in the latitude of Philadelphia. It belongs to the *Arum* family, which includes the *Calla* and the *Indian Turnip*. The showy part of the flower is called the spathe. The flowers proper, which bear the seeds, are

produced upon a spike (spadix) in the center of the spathe. The seeds ripen in summer, forming a globular cluster of green, berry-like fruit. The leaves, which are large and broad, develop as the flowers fade. Notwithstanding the unpleasant odor of the flowers, the plant is interesting and desirable, and should be introduced along the edge of a stream, or where the soil is wet or "spouty".

Did you notice this big Willow tree that waves its bright, golden branches over the water and makes a show even at a distance? It is known as *Salix alba* (white) in books, because it has silvery foliage, but is commonly called the *Yellow Willow*, because of the rich-yellow bark of the new growth. The color becomes more vivid as spring advances, until at last the



Spathe.

Spadix.



Big Willow Tree.



leaves burst forth in such numbers as to hide its many branches.

About this time, if you listen, you may hear, at or near this tree occasionally, the clear sound of a whistle, or perhaps a band of whistles of different tones. Do you ask why you hear this music? Well, it is because some boy is trying his new jack-knife making whistles from the golden willow bark. You cut a smooth, bright twig half an inch or more in



Willow Whistle. Fig. 1.

diameter, having no knots or branches in it (see Fig. 1); ring and remove the bark at *a* and cut a nick in, as at *b*; then beat and rub the bark with the smooth handle of your knife until the bark is loose and you can push the wood out, leaving only the bark. Now take the wood part, cut off a stopper for the rear end of the bark whistle, and at the other end cut off a stopper for the mouthpiece. At the top of this



Fig. 2.

shave off a part, making it even with the nick in the bark (see Fig. 2); then insert and blow. You will have as many different tones as you have whistles. Keep these whistles in water when not using, to prevent drying out, which will ruin them. Chestnut sprouts make fine whistles treated in this way.

When whistle time (which is just when the leaves are developing) is past, if you listen under the willow tree, you will hear the buzz of countless numbers of insects. Upon closer examination you will see honey-laden bracts or silvery-green bloom in the form of little tails, not showy but quite interesting. You can then spend some time studying these insects and the flowers. This willow is readily started from a limb or twig cut off in the spring, the branches being pruned back, leaving only the bare stem. Insert this in the moist ground near a stream or lake, say a foot deep, and in a short time roots will form and leafy branches will develop.

But listen, dear children! Do you hear, up among the golden, twiggy branches of the willow, the delightful notes sung to these words:

All well at home today?  
All well at home today?

Look again! Do you see the dear little bird with a bright-blue coat and a brownish vest flitting about among the branches? Yes, it's a little blue-bird, just returned from its winter resort in the south, giving us a joyous greeting, and inquiring about our welfare. How happy he seems to be back in his northern home! You remember the day he flew away last autumn. How sad were his notes of farewell! But they



A Little Blue-bird.

are different now. Then we felt a touch of sadness, as we listened to his brief song; today our hearts throb with joy at his glad and happy notes. He is doubtless looking for a hole in some hollow limb in which to build his nest, and is anticipating the joy of his happy sojourn among us during the summer months.

The old willow by the water's edge, dear children, was a favorite place with me in boyhood days. Many a summer hour I sat in its dense shade upon the bent and gnarled trunk



The Old Willow by the Water's Edge.

reading. Many an hour I spent beneath it with brothers and sisters, swinging and playing and romping. Many a time I bathed in the deep, warm water by its mass of fibrous roots, and many a big, shining fish I pulled, in boyish sport with rod and line, from the clear, deep waters beneath its shade. Oh, the happy memories that cluster around the old willow tree! They have given me joy and rest throughout the busy and responsible days of manhood, and they will be a source of pleasure to me until the willow branches shall weep over the little mound that in time will mark the last resting-place of your

Sincere friend,  
The Editor.

La Park, Pa., Feb. 15, 1907.

[The walk will be continued next month.]

**My Nasturtiums.**—My Nasturtiums were planted in a long, narrow bed on the east side of the house, and proved very satisfactory. The climbing ones were next the house, and the bed edged with dwarf kinds. I prefer the climbing ones for cut flowers, as the blossoms are larger and they have longer stems.

Aunt Anna.

Lincoln Co., Wash., Feb. 18, 1907.

**A Porch Vine.**—If a beautiful porch vine is wanted, nothing is finer than Passiflora Constance Elliott. It is slender and graceful, the beautiful, dark, shining, deeply cleft leaves swaying constantly in every breeze, and like some of the Honeysuckles, the foliage is held until January. It is not perfectly hardy, however, in the southwest, as I lost a lovely vine last winter that I thought was well protected. Its pure white flowers are very beautiful, and the vine does not sprout badly at the root.

Mrs. E. D. Phelps.

Benton Co., Ark., Jan. 26, 1907.



# FLORAL POETRY



## GRANDMA'S CHICKADEES.

Every day they came to the door,  
Six little balls of feathers and fun,  
Each a little black bonnet wore,  
And looked like the other one.

Grandma, ninety and dainty and neat,  
Out with her cup of crumbs and seeds,  
Scattered down at the twelve red feet  
Enough for their hungry needs.

A hop, a flutter, and up they'd fly,  
Each with a crumb in the apple tree,  
And grandma, smiling and standing by,  
Listened them "chicadee."

"Dee dee dee," they would call to her there,  
That was their way of thanking you know;  
Then down they'd come in the frosty air  
For another crumb in the snow.

Never a day with wind too bleak  
For the six little birds to venture out,  
They knew they had but their need to speak  
If grandma was about.

For grandma's heart is as true as steel,  
And her smiling face is always bright;  
Oh I know the way that chickadees feel  
When grandma comes in sight.

*Florence Josephine Boyce.*

*Wash. Co., Vt., Jan. 30, 1904.*

## LONGING.

I am longing for the country,  
For the fields of wondrous green,  
For the hills that rise in beauty,  
For the lake with silver sheen,  
For the gentle kine that follow  
Lowling to the pasture bars,  
For the boundless skies that glisten  
With their never falling stars.

I am longing for the country  
And its good old-fashioned ways,  
For the kindly hands and helpful  
Making bright the saddest days.  
Lo amid the city's splendor  
No familiar voice I hear,  
Not one smiling face to greet me  
'Mid the many passing here.

To this din and strife and traffic  
I am as a stranger lone;  
O! for something true and steadfast,  
O! for someone all my own;  
Yes I'm longing for the country  
With its good old-fashioned ways,  
For the country folks whose friendship  
Brighten e'en the saddest days.

*Ruth Raymond.*

*Bradford Co., Pa., Feb. 15, 1906.*

## THE SNOWDROPS.

"Its rather dark in the earth today"  
Said a little bulb to his brother,  
"But I thought I felt a warm sunray;  
Let's strive and grow till we find a way  
Out of this prison, with walls of clay."

And they nestled close to each other,  
Then they upward pressed by day and night,  
Till two little Snowdrops in green and white  
Slipped out of the darkness into the light—  
And hastened to kiss one another.

*Oswald Baker.*

*Tompkins Co., N. Y., Feb. 3, 1907.*

## AT EASTERTIME.

At Eastertime the spring draws near,  
And winter lies away in fear,  
As sunbeams dancing o'er the lea  
Set all the frozen streamlets free,  
And tell of wondrous mystery  
At Eastertime, at Eastertime.

At Eastertime the hills are bare,  
Yet fragrant Lilies pure and fair  
Upon God's holy altars bloom,  
In token of the risen tomb  
Whence rose the Saviour from its gloom  
At Eastertime, at Eastertime.

At Eastertime, at Eastertime,  
As vibrant bells exultant chime,  
And far across the azure sky  
We see the rosy cloud-boats lie;  
The gates of Heaven seem broad and high  
At Eastertime, at Eastertime.

At Eastertime, let hearts that break  
With silent grief now courage take,  
As unseen angels comforting  
Bid us to weep no more but sing  
Of Christ the risen Priest and King,  
At Eastertime, at Eastertime.

*Ruth Raymond.*

*Bradford Co., Pa., Feb. 13, 1906.*

## VIOLETS.

Just a tiny bunch of Violets—  
English Violets fresh and sweet,  
Sent with love to cheer the suffering—  
Could there be a gift more meet?

How their fragrance fills the chamber,  
Penetrating all the room;  
Bringing to our minds the summer,  
With its wealth of sweetest bloom.

Breath of Heaven sent down to mortals,  
Every flower its language rare,  
Subtle, sweet and all pervading,  
Could there be a gift more fair?

Sweet Aroma! Yet the Violet  
Lowly blooms upon earth's sod—  
Like the Christian's daily influence  
Closely hid with Christ in God."

Both alike shed forth their perfume,  
Whisper of a better land,  
Where the flowers are ever fadeless,  
Tended by an angel hand.

*Mrs. J. E. Eaton.*

*Hartford Co., Conn., Feb. 2, 1907.*

## THE BUTTERFLY.

Pray tell me why the butterfly,  
Soars such an awkward way?  
Why don't it take a straighter course?  
Now let the children say.

The butterfly seems unconcerned,  
But careless—not a bit—  
Its zigzag course will fool some child  
Who tries to capture it.

*Albert E. Vassar.*

*Gratiot Co., Mo., Jan. 4, 1904.*

## REMINISCENT.

It was only a fragrant flower  
Plucked from a loved one's grave,  
But you little know the comfort  
This blossom to me gave;  
As the sweet perfume kept breathing  
Of one my heart holds dear,  
And I felt an angel's presence  
A hover'ing 'round me here.

*Lizzie Mowen.*

*Allen Co., Ohio, Jan. 15, 1907.*

## IN MARCH.

'Mid frozen ground, dry leaves and grass,  
The Snow-drops ope' their eyes,  
And Crocus lifts her pretty head  
In wonder and surprise.

We shudder; but 'tis not for long  
Thy chilly look and way,  
For Mother Earth will don new robes  
While March speeds on her way.

Lizzie Mowen.

Allen Co., Ohio, Jan. 9, 1907.

## LEAF PROPAGATION.

**ONLY** a limited number of plants can be started from the leaves, and it is well that it is so. In warm climates the Bryophyllum (air plant) becomes a nuisance in this respect. From every leaf which falls one to half a dozen plants will spring up. It seems to be quite independent of both soil and water, at least for a time. I nearly always keep a leaf of this plant pinned to the lace curtain for the oddity of seeing little plantlets sprout and grow along the margin of the notched leaves. They derive their nourishment, I suppose, from the little moisture still in the leaf. They will continue green and growing for a couple of months, and perhaps longer.

I have had leaves of the Hoya (wax plant) to root, and root well, but never to put forth any top growth.

Several kinds of Begonias can be grown from the leaf, but it hardly pays to bother with them, as the cuttings root so easily. The Rex varieties are an exception, however. It is fascinating work to grow these in this way, and, indeed, I know no other way by which they can be propagated. Pieces of the stalk of an old plant might be used as cuttings, but I have never tried them. I lay a leaf flat on the surface, usually stick a hairpin down through the middle, and set the pot in partial shade and where the leaf cannot be jostled about. I never fail to get several plants from each leaf, and in a very short time, too. Sometimes I cut the leaf into several pieces, putting them in separate pots.

Perhaps it is hardly quite true that a Cactus can be grown from the leaf. But it can, if you call the flattened stem a leaf, and it is really as much a leaf as a stem.

The true flower-lover delights in the propagation of plants quite as much as in their blossoming. This particular method of starting from a leaf is possibly the most interesting of all.

Mrs. M. J. Ross.

Pottawatomie Co., Okla., Feb. 12, 1907.

**About Salvias.**—The new Salvias were a surprise to me, being such an improvement on the older varieties. They bloom very freely, and the large, intense-colored flowers are produced in long spikes. The Salvia well deserves its honors as a standard bedding plant. It stands heat and drouth remarkably well. The Silverspot variety has beautiful foliage. Mrs. T. Sheb. Co., Wis.

## GROUPING PLANTS.

**I** REMEMBER my delight on beholding a large alcove filled with fine plants, most of which were Begonias. There were a few other plants, but the contrast only brought out the coarseness of the Geraniums, etc. And when I at last had the satisfaction of seeing most of the others removed, I never tired of feasting my eyes on the beautiful foliage and chaste flowers of the Begonias, although the single specimens I had before seen crowded among other plants seemed quite unattractive.

The alcove of which I speak was formerly a south porch, but the carpenter-farmer set the wall out, put in windows and shelves, and across the entrance a rod for curtains, thus making an ideal home in the farm-house for this bit of tropical verdure and bloom. Later, when the family moved away and renters filled the alcove with a "grand mixture" of plants, the sight of it filled me with disgust. The plants were thrifty enough, but, oh! such a clashing of colors and forms and textures!

I once had a west sitting-room window that was quite near the stove. "Too bad you can't have flowers in that window," said a neighbor, "but Mary (the former mistress) never could. Between the heat of the sun in summer and the stove in winter everything she put there died." Now I had a young Epiphyllum, also a cutting of Cereus flagelliformis, and these I put in that window and watered with warm water, and they thrived wonderfully. One day, while calling upon an old lady, she said: "Look in that box on the mantel and see what my grandson sent me from Los Angeles, Calif." I opened the paper box to find therein a Cactus, and it was actually putting out tiny rootlets. "Why, it's trying to grow!" I exclaimed. "Is it? well, well!" said the old lady. "Take it home with you and plant it. No, no! I don't want it. I had enough of Cacti on the plains," she said, with a shrug of the shoulders, remembering her experience with Prickly-pears while crossing the plains with an ox-team fifty years ago. So I carried the pretty, soft little ball home to add to my collection. From that time my west window was an object of interest to me, and to others as well, and somehow my collection grew until I now have several windows full. But I do not mix other plants, except succulents, with them, and I never before had plants attract the attention they do, even when there isn't a bloom among them; and when one of them flowers it becomes an object of interest to all who behold it.

The Umbrella plant, Ferns, Asparagus and other plants of similar texture may be grouped together, and with a pot of Oxalis, Crocus or other bright flowers will make an attractive window.

L. M. Magnus.

Lane Co., Ore., Jan. 4, 1907.

**Artillery Plant.**—Muscoca is a treasure, and with its finely divided branches it reminds us of the finer kinds of native summer Ferns. L. Wilson. Scott Co., Ind.





### A FEW WORDS ABOUT GOURDS.

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**T**HE GOURD FAMILY embraces some of the most useful and satisfactory of ornamental climbing plants. Many are of rapid growth, and have graceful and beautiful foliage, showy flowers and attractive fruits. The various kinds of *Lagenaria* possess all of these merits, and in addition a musk-like fragrance that is admired by many persons. *Bryonopsis laciniosa* has lovely, smooth, laciniated foliage and little clusters of bloom, followed by small, spotted fruits that are quite attractive. The vines of this Gourd make a dense, vigorous and graceful covering or screen, and are readily started from seeds. *Luffa Acutangula* is the Dish-Cloth Gourd. Its foliage is rather heavy, and makes a fine background for its large, golden flowers. The fruits are long and club-like, and when partly rotted the net-work can be washed out and bleached, and is useful, not only for scouring or washing, but for various kinds of fancy work. *Cyclanthera*, *Echinocystis* and the various small, fancy Gourds are all beautiful and desirable vines. Turk's Turban, Hercules' Club, Fancy Orange and the Warty Gourd are all curious and handsome. When making out your seed order do not omit mixed Gourds. They will give you as much pleasure as almost anything you can grow.



**HER COUNTRY HOME.**

She loves the hills and valleys,  
The woods and streamlets clear,  
To her each plant is winsome,  
To her each flower is dear;  
She loves the gentle cattle  
That in the pastures roam,  
Each bird that sings in gladness  
About her country home.

Each vine-clad porch is restful,  
Each room she decks with care,  
And every guest is welcome  
Who seeks her presence there.  
She longs not for the cities  
With spires that pierce the dome,  
For her life's joys are centred  
Within her country home.

Ruth Raymond.

Bradford Co., Pa., Oct. 2, 1906.

**A CHEAP HOTBED.**

**W**E MADE our hot-bed on the south side of a fence. A space six feet wide and eighteen feet long was dug out eighteen inches deep, and filled in about a foot deep, with new stable manure packed firmly down. On this was placed good garden soil, enough to raise it above the surrounding surface. The frame-work consisted of a one by twelve inch board eighteen feet long on the north or rear side, and a board one by eight inches on the south. The end boards, of course, sloped to fit the two sides. Partition boards were put in every three feet, so that in all there were six sections—three feet by six feet. Instead of glass sash we used six strips of muslin two and one-fourth yards long. One end of each strip was tacked to the wide board on the back, and the other end to a narrow board three feet long. This last end hung down several inches over the south side. When it was desirable to do so, we could roll any one, or all of the strips of cloth and let in full sun or air. In severe weather some additional covering was used.

We planted one section in Tomato seeds, one in early Cabbage, and one in late Cabbage. One and a half in Lettuce, one in Radishes and half of one in flower seeds. The Radishes were large enough to use by the last of February, and then more Lettuce was planted in that section. We sold more than enough stuff that season to pay for the bed, besides what we used ourselves. The frame will last for years, but new cloth must be bought each season.

Mrs. M. J. Ross.

Patt. Co., Okla.

**Flower Babies.**—There is nothing more bewitching to me than babies. Human babies, first choice—then the flower babies. What is prettier than the two leaves that push up through black dirt, from a Geranium seed? Not those of Primroses, certainly. Yet, I am glad I persevered and saved some of the many tiny, spindly plants that came from a three-cent packet of seeds, for when these thirteen plants came to bloom, with no two alike, they were all so handsome I had no trouble in giving away as many as I had not room for.

Chittenden Co., Vt.

Martha Field.

**WATER HYACINTH.**

**I** ONCE saw a pot of Water Hyacinths growing and blooming in soil, after the fashion of a Geranium. I was surprised, and was told that the owner of the plant had received it in a collection, and ignorant of its habits, had simply planted it in a pot of rich earth. It was extremely pretty and odd looking, and seemed to like its place very well. It was watered like other plants, once a day, and it bloomed beautifully. To me it had the look of a fish out of water, for I had not supposed that it could be grown in this manner.



In its home, down in the Southern rivers and lakes, this plant is a wonder of beauty. The leaves, with their air bulbs, are immense, and the flower spikes incredibly long and bright. I have seen unbroken miles of it, broad as the stream of water, and blue as the summer sky. It is a wild, sweet, wonderful thing, free as the water itself. To see it meekly growing, its roots fast in common garden soil, and shut in by a pot of clay amazed me.

E. F. W.

Iredell Co., N. C.

**A FRIEND'S TIP.****70-Year-Old Man Not Too Old to Accept a Food Pointer.**

"For the last 20 years," writes a Maine man, "I've been troubled with Dyspepsia and liver complaint, and have tried about every known remedy without much in the way of results until I took up the food question.

"A friend recommended Grape-Nuts food, after I had taken all sorts of medicines with only occasional, temporary relief.

"This was about nine months ago, and I began the Grape-Nuts for breakfast with cream and a little sugar. Since then I have had the food for at least one meal a day, usually for breakfast.

"Words fail to express the benefit I received from the use of Grape-Nuts. My stomach is almost entirely free from pain and my liver complaint is about cured, I have gained flesh, sleep well can eat nearly any kind of food except greasy, starchy things and am strong and healthy at the age of 70 years.

"If I can be the means of helping any poor mortal who has been troubled with dyspepsia as I have been, I am willing to answer any letter enclosing stamp." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."



## SOMETHING ABOUT PALMS AND FERNS.

**S**O MANY people who try to raise Palms encounter the greatest difficulties in trying to prevent the foliage from turning brown. In greenhouses this never occurs, owing to the moist condition of the atmosphere. In the home there is too much dryness, and the only remedy for it is to sponge the leaves with warm water every day. This will keep them bright and moist, and prevent their turning brown. Ferns are also easily dried out. I have lost some of my very choicest ferns by neglecting to water them at proper intervals. The Maiden Hair Ferns, than which I consider none more delicate or exquisite, require an even temperature and a great deal of moisture, and if they do not receive it they will curl up and wither in a very few days.

The best soil I have found to be ordinary loam and leaf mold, equal parts, with a little charcoal and sand to keep the earth light and porous. Never should the roots of Palms and Ferns be disturbed unless when potting; then they should be thoroughly watered and slipped from the pots very carefully and placed in the larger ones. Care must be taken for a few days not to expose to a too strong light, until the tiny rootlets take hold in the new earth. Palms and Ferns, however, require very nearly the same treatment. I have the best success with the Boston Fern; it is never troubled with insects, and if given plenty of water and a little light it will thrive and grow on year after year.

We have beautiful Ferns growing wild all along the roadsides in shady places, which would make lovely house plants if they could only become civilized enough to take to our way of living. The only way I ever found to steal a march on them is to take up the roots in early spring, just as soon as their little, fuzzy heads peep through the mold, and transplant them to some shady place in the yard and give them plenty of water until they are well started. One can have a very lovely fernery, and have a fine collection of many different kinds with very little trouble. I believe there are between twenty and thirty different varieties in Vermont, of which the Maiden Hair heads the list as the most exquisite and delicate.

Palms and Ferns, except the Boston Fern, are often attacked by two kinds of insects—the Scale and the Mealy Bug. The former look like little, flat, brown spots; the Mealy Bug is nearly round, white, soft and woolly. The best manner of destroying these pests is to give them a daily bath of good, strong soap-suds, about lukewarm. This will also kill their larvæ. A friend of mine has a Boston Fern that is eight years old. The fronds reach from the pot, which stands on a center table, to the floor, the plant measuring six feet in circumference.

Ferns require less light than most Palms, and should never be set for any length of time

in strong sunlight. I had, at one time, four lovely Ferns, which were placed in the bay window behind other heavy foliaged plants and forgotten; after four days they were discovered, but their destruction was swift and sure—not a live frond left.

In watering Palms and Ferns care should be taken that water does not settle around the base of the stalks, which often causes them to decay. To prevent this, build the earth higher in the center of the pot and around the stalks.

Wash. Co., Vt.

S. Minerva Boyce.

### Window Arrangement of Asparagus Sprengerii.

—Have two strong wooden brackets made which will extend out from the window about fifteen inches. Fasten one on each side on framework at top of window. Have a hook at end of brackets and hang by a wire from each one, a pail containing a plant of *Asparagus Sprengerii*. I use tin pales because they are light; then cover with bark. Have them hang half way down the under sash, and be sure the window sash is raised to the top. This arrangement is especially adapted to windows where all the light is needed for other purposes.

Dutchess Co., N. Y.

Flora Lee.

### NO MISTAKE HERE.

#### Discovery of a Proof-Reader.

Even a proof-reader may make mistakes unless careful reading is maintained all the time.

It makes a lot of difference sometimes, just how a thing is read.

This is the tale:

“‘No tea and not one drop of coffee,’ ordered the doctor—and I rebelled. But alas, with nerves that saw, felt and heard things that were not, rebellion was useless.

“With the greatest reluctance I gave up these lifelong companions, and drank milk, milk—until the very step of the milkman grew hateful.

“My nerves were some better, but breakfast without some warm beverage grew wearisome, and bid fair to be entirely slighted. And with a brain that for nine hours daily must work hard, ever demanding nourishment, the failing appetite was a serious preposition.

“Then in despair, Postum was tried. I had tasted it once and heartily disliked the pale watery compound, but now, literally starving for a hot drink, I read and re-read the directions on the package with the critical eye of the proof-reader, following them out to the letter and lo! the rich brown liquid of the advertisements.

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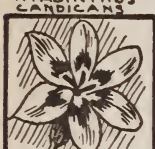
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**Ranunculus**, French; double, showy flowers in rich colors; beautiful 5  
**Sparaxis**, new giant, 1 foot; brilliant, showy bloom; treat as a Gladiolus 5  
**Tiger Lily**, a beautiful, hardy Lily; a fine garden sort..... 10  
Total retail value of above collection, \$0.65.



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pays for the above 15 bulbs and Park's Floral Magazine for a year. To be able to

make this liberal bulb offer I secured at a big bargain, 1,250,000 bulbs from a Holland grower who had a surplus. I may never again be able to duplicate this offer, and do not expect to do so. I therefore urge flower-lovers to avail themselves of this rare opportunity. Don't let it pass.

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To anyone who will send me a club of 20 subscribers (\$3.00) I will mail a handsome nickle watch, a good time piece, useful either for carrying, or for the kitchen or bedroom. This is especially the watch for boys, and any bright boy can easily earn it in a day's time. If a subscriber paying 15 cents prefers Flower or Vegetable seeds to the bulb collection they can make their selection. (See p. 2 of this issue for particulars about seed collections.)



**GOLD WATCHES.** To anyone who sends 55 subscribers, (\$5.25) I will mail a beautiful Ladies' or Gents' Gold-plated Watch, 14 karat gold. This watch looks as well as a solid gold watch, and is a good time-piece. The liberal bulb and seed offers with Magazine will enable anyone to secure this watch by a few hours work. Almost everybody will subscribe, and thank you for calling their attention to my liberal offers.

**Gold Watch for Largest Club.**—For the largest club sent in before June 1, 1907, I will send a fine Elgin Gold-filled Watch, guaranteed 20 years. Now, who will get this watch. It is a special premium, and will be sent in addition to other premiums. **GEO. W. PARK, La Park, Pa**

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# QUESTION.

**Swainsonia.**—Why do Swainsonia leaves turn white, wither up and drop from the plants?—Subscriber.

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have I earned with flowers grown in my yard and garden. I believe I can show you how to easily earn money with flowers no matter where you may live. If you knew just how much I could help you to grow flowers, either for pleasure of profit, you would write me a letter for my plan to-day sure.

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Three two-cent stamps, with the names and addresses of six flower-lovers brings you a present worth twenty cents.

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And Collection Flowering BULBS FREE

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Here, for instance, is a beautiful sleeping and talking doll. This doll is seventeen inches high, is completely and fashionably dressed from hat to shoes, including underwear and stockings, and she is indeed a living beauty. The doll is indeed ought to be enough of a present, but I am liberal enough to send with the doll a fine dolly's tea set of twenty-six hand-painted pieces, absolutely free. You get this magnificent dolly and tea set as a free present for introducing only ten of my high-art pictures at 25c each. When you have collected the \$2.50 send in the money and the presents are yours. I pay all postage, run all the risk and take back the pictures that you cannot readily distribute.

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YOUR own initial in GOLD on every piece (cups and saucers included)





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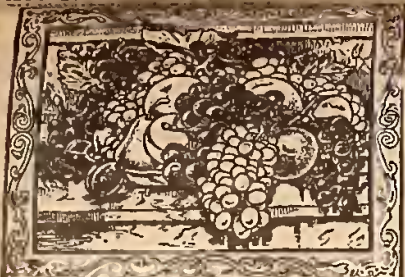
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Imagine how your dining room will look with the elegant monogram dinner set and the high-art pictures.



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YOUR own initial in GOLD on every piece (cups and saucers included.)



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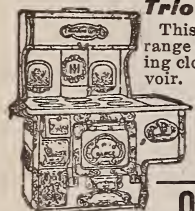
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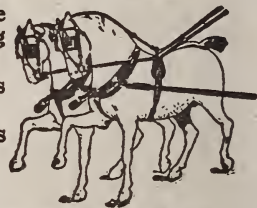


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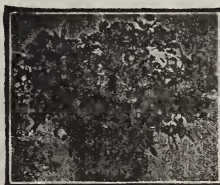
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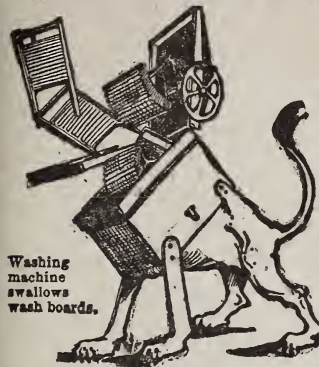
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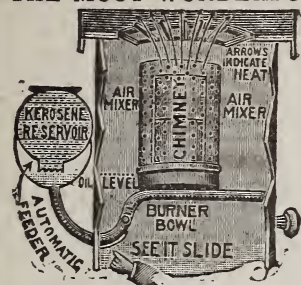
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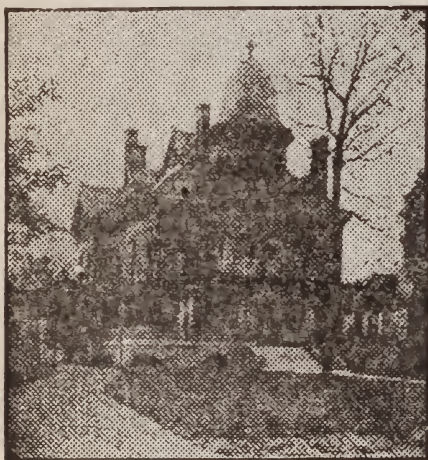
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Mrs. J. H. Baldwin.

Douglas Co., Oreg., Dec. 10, 1906.

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Ada Gist.  
Mason Co., W. Va., Nov. 5, 1906.

Dear Flower Folks:—I had two lovely flower beans last summer, one with white flowers, the other pink. They would be very pretty as a porch climber, if given support. I also had some Nest-egg Gourds. They will climb a woven wire, and make an odd and cool place, as they make a nice shade, and when the eggs are on they look very odd, hanging among the green leaves. I also had a Pink that every one who saw thought very odd. It was a lovely white, with pink center when it first opened, and as the blossom grew older it turned red. A plant would have white, pink, and red blossoms on at once, the old blossoms red, the new ones white, and the ones a day old pink. It was very pretty and odd.

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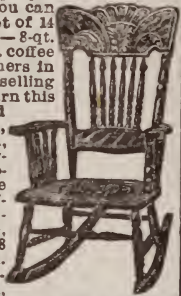
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O see the big ship sailing out from the shore,  
And away out to sea are a dozen or more.

See that beautiful pony with long flowing mane,  
How he draws a fine carriage without whip or rein.

There's a great polar bear on the big mountain side,  
And an Eskimo out with his dogs for a ride.

There are six, seven, eight—oh do see them go!  
Now rolls the Eskimo into the snow.

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Would you like little girlie to go there with me?

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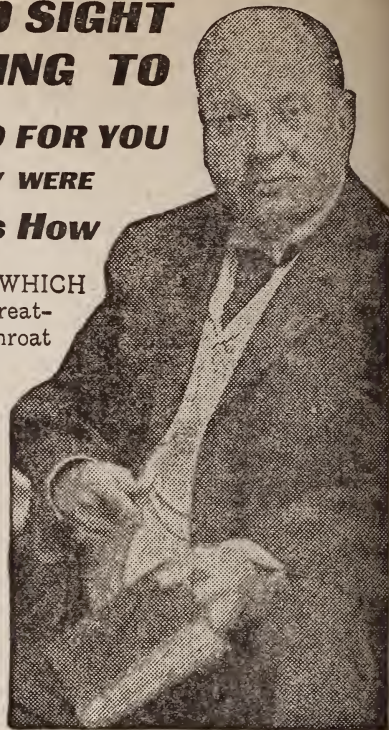
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